# Puget Sound Marine and Nearshore Grant Program

# Beach Restoration Funding Opportunity

### We're Looking for Projects That:

- Restore Puget Sound or Strait of Juan de Fuca beach ecosystems
- Provide public access and high visibility
- Are ready to go soon
- Will remain protected into the future and provide long-term public access

### Who's Eligible

- State agencies
- Local governments
- Tribal governments
- Non-profit organizations

### **Questions?**

To discuss your project idea or for more information, please contact Curtis Tanner curtis.tanner@dfw.wa.gov 360-902-2815

Information on the Estuary and Salmon Restoration Program, including 2012-13 Notice of Intent:

http:// www.pugetsoundnearshore.org/ esrp.html



The Puget Sound Marine and Nearshore Grant Program is implementing a strategy to reduce demand for armoring along Puget Sound shorelines. Our strategy relies upon improving public understanding of the importance, feasibility and beauty of shoreline restoration. As a piece of our broader strategy, we are partnering with the Estuary and Salmon Restoration Program (ESRP) to identify and fund projects that restore beaches by removing shoreline modifications at publicly accessible sites. While shovel-ready is preferable, we may fund the feasibility or design stage of an outstanding project.

Long-term project goals include:

- Restoring and protecting ecological processes,
- Increasing public awareness of the benefits and possibilities of restoring shoreline habitat and,
- Reducing demand for shoreline modifications, both public and private.

We encourage those with promising project ideas to submit preproposals to ESRP's Request for Proposals, anticipated August 17, 2012. Advancing nearshore protection and restoration



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NOTICE OF INTENT: Estuary and Salmon Restoration Program 2012-13 Grant Competition

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## Summary and Timeline for 2012-13 Grant Competition

This Notice of Intent provides preliminary details about the Estuary and Salmon Restoration Program's next grant competition. More details will be provided with the Request for Proposals which is to be published on August 17, 2012. Our <u>website</u> will be updated accordingly.

TASK	DATE	DESCRIPTION
RFP published	Aug 17	Request for proposals to ESRP mailing list and posted on website
Workshops	Sept 12/13	One in person and at least one recorded web-ex workshop
Pre-proposals due	Sept 21	Expected length 2-3 pages
Invite to submit full	Oct 15	A ranked list of projects eligible to submit full proposals released
Presentations	Nov 5-9	Presentations by sponsors to technical evaluation team (Seattle/Edmonds area)
Final proposals due	Nov 28	Proposals submitted via HWS/Nearshore Data Site and PRISM
Draft investment plan	Dec 30	Ranked project list and funding recommendations published
Endorsement by LC	TBD	Funding recommendations presented to PSP Leadership Council at first meeting in 2013
Funding notification	TBD	Funding notification dependent upon final 2013-15 state budget. Funds available July 1, 2013

### Funding Availability

<u>State Capital Funds</u>: This competition will result in a 2013 Investment Plan (ranked project list with funding recommendations) which will be presented to the Legislature in Fall/Winter 2012/13. Available funding is dependent upon 2013-15 appropriations.

<u>Federal Funds</u>: Up to \$2.7 million from the Environmental Protection Agency will be available for compelling beach restoration projects focused on removal of shoreline modifications affecting sediment input and delivery on publicly accessible lands. Curtis Tanner (<u>Curtis.tanner@dfw.wa.gov</u>) is available for technical assistance to projects sponsors with potential beach restoration proposals.

**NEW** Please note the following important changes to the application process since the last competition:

- Pre-application workshops will be done primarily via web-ex and recorded
- A pre-proposal process will be used to screen out ineligible projects or those that are not a good match for the grant program. The remaining proposals will be ranked by the technical evaluation team and eligible to submit full proposals.
- Presentations to the Evaluation Team will be required for sponsors submitting full proposals.
- Applications will be submitted through HWS/Nearshore Data Site and PRISM. More detailed instructions will accompany the RFP.